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THE REPLY FILED 28 June 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.							
PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)]							
a) The period for reply expiresmonths from the mailing date of the final rejection.							
b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).							
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.							
2.⊠ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:							
(a) ⊠ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);							
(a) ☑ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);							
(c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the							
issues for appeal; and/or							
(d) They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.							
NOTE: See Continuation Sheet.							
3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):							
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).							
5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:							
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered bed raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	ause it is not directed SOLELY	to issues which were newly					
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendmen explanation of how the new or amended claims w	t(s) a)⊠ will not be entered or b ould be rejected is provided belo)⊡ will be entered and an ow or appended.					
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:							
Claim(s) allowed: 44-46,48-50,52,62,63,66,67 and 6							
• •	Claim(s) objected to: <u>54,55,60,61,72,73,76,77,79,82,83,88,90,93,94 and 96</u> .						
Claim(s) rejected: <u>47, 51, 53, 56-59, 64-65, 68, 70-71, 74-75, 78, 80-81, 84-87, 89, 91, 92, 95 and 97</u> .							
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration:							
8. The drawing correction filed on is a) app	proved or b) disapproved by	the Examiner.					
9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s)							
10. Other:		Cephia D. Toomer Primary Examiner Art Unit: 1714					

Continuation of 2. NOTE: the amendment is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on July 30, 2003. Applicant has identified claims 51, 53, 57, 68, 78, 81, 85, 89 and 95 as "amended"; however, the proper claim identifier is -- currently amended--. Applicant has not shown what subject matter has been added or deleted from these claims. In the remarks section of the amendment, applicant indicates that claim 71 has been amended; however, the claim identifier states that the claim was previously presented.